

COMMUNITY FORUM



"This year marks the 40th anniversary of the adoption of the Fair Housing Act as part of the 1968 Civil Rights Act. The goal of the Fair Housing Act is to make sure that discrimination no longer exists. Some housing discrimination violations take place because people are unaware of

fair housing laws. Others are deliberate acts of discrimination. Whatever the reason, we are working toward the day when fair housing in Arizona is no longer a goal but a reality."

Terry Goddard, Arizona Attorney General



"It is a shame that after 40 years we still are plagued with discrimination in housing. It is important

for people to know what their rights are so they can protect



their families, friends and clients from this discrimination."

Richard Elias, Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors



"It is critical that consumers, real estate professionals and regulators be knowledgeable about Fair Housing and those activities which are illegal under the Fair Housing Act. Education is our most effective tool to prevent unintentional

violations and to arm the public against those who intentionally discriminate against others."

Sam Wercinski, Arizona Real Estate Commissioner

When:

Wednesday, April 30, 2008

Where:

YWCA Frances McClelland Leadership Center 525 N. Bonita Ave. Tucson, AZ

For:

- General Public Invited
- Advocates
- Property Managers
- Real Estate Professionals

This free forum will be an opportunity to learn about the Fair Housing Act and discuss ways to address and eliminate housing discrimination in the community.

For more information, or if your community organization would like to have an information table at the event, please contact:

Arizona Attorney General's Office Community Services Program 520-628-6697 or communityservices@azaq.gov www.azag.gov

Agenda-At-A-Glance:

5-7 p.m.

Impact of Housing Discrimination and Overview of Fair Housing Law

Identifying and Eliminating Housing Discrimination (Panel &

Audience Discussion)

Featured Speakers: Terry Goddard, Attorney General

Supervisor Richard Elias, Chairman, Pima County Board of Supervisors, District 5

Congressman Raul Grijalva, **US** House of Representatives

Melanie Pate, Chief Counsel Civil Rights Division Attorney General's Office

Regina Romero, Tucson City Council Member, Ward 1

Karin Uhlich, Tucson City Council Member, Ward 3

Steve Leal, Tucson City Council Member, Ward 5

Betty Villegas, Pima County Housing Program Manager

Jacob Cortes, Pima County Interfaith Council

J.J. Rico, Center for Disability Law-Tucson

Tillie Arvizu, Chicanos por la Causa Rick Rhey, Director, Southwest Fair **Housing Council**